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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

Edinburgh, Tuesday June 26, 1722.

*From the St. James's Evening Post, June 21.*

*Yesterday arrived a Mail from France.*

*Constantinople, May 24.*

**T**HE Porte has received several Expresses from the Frontiers of Persia, giving an Account, that the Chiefs of the Revolters, Minvois and Scheick Mahmud, supported by the Great Mogul, had caused a general Revolution throughout the whole Persian Kingdom. The First, who is most formidable, has made himself Master, not only of all the Country from Candabar to the Capital of Persia, but having entirely routed the Persian King, had laid Siege to Ispahan, taken its Citadel, and put its Inhabitants under Contribution. This Minvois being the most powerful, his Army being for the most part composed of Volunteers, to whom he has given Leave to plunder all the Cities he passes thro', without sparing either Christians or Turks. Scheick Mahmud has also made a great Progress, having mastered all the Country from Dagistan to the Province of Erivom. The King of Persia escaped narrowly, being accompanied only by 3 or 4 Persons, in his Flight, to the Frontiers of the Ottoman Empire. He has implored the Grand Signior's Succour; but 'tis not said what Resolution the Porte has taken upon that Request.

*Jerusalem, March 11.* The Arabians have plundered and destroyed the City of Jassa, or Joppa, (said to be built by Japhet) which is situate upon the Mediterranean, about 24 Miles from this City. The Monastery of St. Peter, in which officiated the Monks of the Observance of St. Francis, was buried in the Ruins.

*Rome, June 6. N. S.* The Consort of the Chevalier de St. George is again with Child. The Inquisition has seized a Man, who having been summoned to pay his Debts, carried the Summons to the Devil that's painted under St. Michael, and prayed to him for Protection.

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*From the St. James's Evening Post, June 19.*

*Kensington, June 16, 1722.*

*The following Address was this Day presented to his Majesty by Lewis Barton, Esq; Mayor of the Burgh of Portsmouth, the Honourable Lieutenant General Mackartney, Governour of Portsmouth, the Honourable Sir John Norris and Sir Charles Wager Knights Representatives in Parliament for the said Burgh, with several other Members of that Corporation; introduced by his Grace the Duke of Bolton, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Southampton. Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.*

*To the King's most Excellent Majesty:*

*The humble Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgeses of your ancient Corporation of Portsmouth.*

*Most gracious Sovereign.*

**W**E your Majesty's most loyal and dutifull Subjects, humbly beg Leave to approach your Majesty with our hearty Congratulations on the seasonable and timely Discovery of the wicked and trayterous Designs formed against your Majesty's most sacred Person and Government, in favour of a Popish Pretender.

We cannot sufficiently express our Abhorrence and Detestation of the Principles of an insatuated Set of Men, who in defiance to the most solemn Oaths and Obligations to the Contrary, have entered into a wicked Conspiracy for interrupting the Tranquillity of your Majesty's most just and gracious Administration; and for involving us in the many dreadful Miseries and Calamities, which must be the unavoidable Consequences of Superstition and arbitrary Power. And we humbly presume at this important Conjunction, to offer to your Majesty, the most solemn and unfeigned Assurances of our steady and unalterable Zeal and fidelity for your Royal Person and Government, and for the Continuance of the Protestant Succession in your illustrious Family; and that we will in our respective Stations, exert our outmost Care and Vigilance for discovering and defeating the wicked Designs of all your Enemies, and contribute our heartiest Endeavours for making your Reign Easy and Prosperous over a free and happy People.

*From the London Journal, June 19.*

Vessels laden with Soldiers and Baggage, are continually sailing for Astracan, but its nevertheless doubted their Czarish Majesties will go thither in Person. 'Tis said the Persians are determined vigourously to oppose that Enterprize, of which the Czar is not unsensible, and is taking Measures accordingly. 'Tis reported, though with no great certainty; That King Stanislaus, in the Dress of a Russian Officer, is gone privately through Warlaw, in his Way to Molcow, to desire the Czar's Assistance and Protection. The Czar's Envoy at Stockholm continues to have frequent Conferences with the Swedish Ministers, and has settled several Points relating to Commerce; but as yet could get no favourable Answer

lower to the main Articles of his Commission: The Poles are concerting Measures effectually to oppose the Attempts of the Czar, and the Grand Seignior; whole Troops are drawing together, on the Frontiers of the Dutchy of Courland, and of the Palatinate of Podolia. At Dantzick the Magistrates have numbered all the young men who are capable of bearing Arms, in order to employ them in the Defence of the City, in case it should be attacked by the Czar.

The King of France with all his Court, are now removed from Paris to Versailles.

The Spaniards have augmented the Garrison of Portolongone to 2000 effective Men. Their Officers that remain in Italy continue to enlist Men of all Nations, which are to be transported to Barcelona: 'Tis said, the Spanish Men of War that now lie ready to sail from Cadiz Bay, (which are well filled with Troops) are first to cruize against the Algerines, and then to sail to the Coast of Italy.

The Investiture of Naples to the Emperor is almost regulated, to the no small Mortification of the French and Spanish Ministers at Rome; who laboured all in their Power to obstruct it. The Recruits are daily transporting from Calabria to Messina, where they are repairing the Fortifications of the Citadel, and filling the Magazines with all sorts of Ammunition and Provisions.

The Electoral Prince of Bavaria's Marriage with the Jolephine Archduchess, is at last agreed on; and 'tis said he will have the Government of the Low countries in Consideration of that Marriage.

London, June 19. Letters from Colchester inform us, That the Smugglers appear very frequently in those Parts with loaded Horses, forty or fifty in a Gang; so that 'tis likely they have crossed the Thames from Kent and Sussex, to make a new Settlement in Essex.

*Extract of a Letter from Rye, of the 9th Instant.*

Last Sunday, there was a very great Hail, such as had not been known for many Years: Several of the Hailstones were four Inches round; and some at Tenterden, were five. They were of Different Forms, and hard like Ice, and did much Harm among the Hops and Corn, as well as Beans and Pease. it came not near us by ten Miles; but at the same time we had Thunder and Rain: I hear that it went twenty Miles in length, from West to East, along the Borders of Kent and Sussex.

*From the St. James's Evening Post, June 21.*

Brussels, June 25. N. S. An Express from Vienna is gone through the Place, with Dispatches of Moment for the Imperial Plenipotentiaries at Cambray. 'Tis reported, that the Emperor hath resolved to erect an India Company in Flanders, upon the Plan of one Mr. Colbrook, an Englishman.

Hamburg, June 23: According to our Advices from Moscow, the Czar, accompanied by his Consort, set out the 16th past for Astracan and Casan near which last Place preparations are made, to Execute the projected Expedition on the Caspian Sea, hard by the Frontiers of Persia.

Paris, June 24. It was generally reported, on the Day the King set out to Versailles, that a Bed of Justice would immediately be appointed, and that amongst other Matters to be determined by that Court, the Duke du Main should be restored to all his Honours and Prerogatives.

London, June 21. Last Tuesday the 2d Regiment of Foot Guards fired by Platoons, as did Yesterday the 3d Regiment, in the Presence of the Earl Cadogan.

gan. This Exercise we hear, will be continued every Morning successively at the mounting of the Guards, till the Camp breaks up.

Her Royal Highness the Princess has declared that she is with Child again.

Tuesday last came on at Guildhall, before the Lord Chief Justice Pratt, the Trial of Mr. Sharp the Printer, for the Supplement to the Freeholders Journal Number 10. His Council were Sergeant Darnel, Mr. Ketelby, Mr. Hungerford and Mr. Frazakerby. The Messenger of the Press deposed, that he had the Paper from Mr. Pain the Publisher; and the latter swore, that he had between three and four Thousand of them from the said Mr. Sharp, and accounted with him for the same; so that the Jury, after the clearest Evidence that could be, brought in the said Mr. Sharp guilty, of both printing and publishing the said scandalous Libel.

The Countess of Kinnoul, Daughter to the Earl of Oxford, is brought to Bed of a Son.

'Tis said, that till the Chappel and Vault at Blenheim are finished, the Remains of the late Duke of Marlborough will be deposited in St. George's Chappel at Windsor.

*From the Evening Post, June 21, 1721:*

*Rome, June 6.* The Agent of Spain delivered some Days ago, to Cardinal Spino-la, Secretary of State, in the Name of his Catholic Majesty, a Protest against the Investiture of the Kingdom of Naples lately granted to the Emperor. 'Tis talk-ed here, that the Princess Clementina Sobieski, Consort of the Chevalier de St. George, is with child again.

*Genoa, June 8.* Here is Advice, That the Emperor has writ again to the D. of Parma concerning the Affairs of Italy: His Imperial Majesty has likewise de-sired of this State, that they would observe an exact Neutrality, if a War shall break out in these Parts.

*Vienna, June 13.* This Court being still uncertain what Turn Affairs will take either in Italy or elsewhere, has issued Commissions for raising 20000 Men, both for completing the old Regiments and forming new ones.

They write from Dresden, That tho' the Electoral Princess of Saxony is with child again, her Highness designs to repair to this City, to be present at the Nuptials of the Archduchess her Sister.

*Constantinople, May 24.* Our Squadron consisting of Eight Men of War, sailed down some Days ago to the Dardanells, where they are to be joined by some Vessels, which have on Board Troops and Provisions, its talked they are to sail to the Coast of Barbary, and there be reinforced with the Men of War of Tunis and Tripoly, but we do not hear what that Armament is designed for.

*Moscow, May 24.* This Day the Czar set out for Astracan. The Duke of Ho-stein will stay in some of the Country Houles in this Neighbourhood till the Czar's Return. Advices from Petersburg say, That Vice Admiral Gordon a Scotchman, and Rear Admiral Sanders an Englishman, are to command the Squadron of Men of War, that are to put to Sea this Sum-mer in those Parts.

*W. R.'s Letter verbatim, London, June 21. 1722.*

**S**OME Advices from Moscow pretend, That the Capigi Bashaw who lately came thither from Constantinople, has no other Business to transact, than to congratulate the Czar upon the Conclusion of the Peace with Sweden: But the Letters from Vienna import, that the Emperor is not a little concerned to hear, That the afore named Envoy presses the Czar to send another Ambassador to Constantinople: 'Tis apprehended, that the Courts of the Porte and Russia, have

have concerted some Enterprize, to be executed when the Russian Monarch begins the intended Operations in Germany, and the King of Spain, his in Italy, in order thereby to give the Turks an Opportunity to attack the Imperialists in Hungary. But that which most embarrasses his Imperial Majesty is, the great Difficulty of contriving sufficient Funds for a new War.

'Tis said the Czar of Muscovy has laid a Tax upon all the Treasures of the Church throughout his Dominions, and has regulated the general Capitation in all the Provinces of Russia, at 80 Capiken *per Man*, which will enable him to carry on a War with Vigour: In the mean time, he is now in Pursuit of his Expedition to the Caspian Sea.

Letters from Paris of the 27 Instant advise, That the Duke du Main, who has been in Disgrace for adhering to the Interest of Spain, was now intirely restored to Favour, and his Apartments at Versailles ordered to be furnished: 'tis natural to suppose, that all Misunderstandings and Division which happened upon a certain Management of Affairs will all be removed by the late Marriage, and an inviolable Union preserved. The Marshall de Villars has at last given Consent, That the Assembly of the Marshalls of France shall for the Future be held at his House. On the 23d, the Cardinal du Bois kept for the first Time, an open Table of 30 Dishes, and since the King has been at Versailles, the said Cardinal has had Access to his Majesty in like Manner as was enjoyed in former Times by the Cardinals de Richlieu and Mazarine.

There is an Account from Barbadoes, That the Swallow Man of War had taken by Stratagem on the Coast of Guinea, a Ship of Roberts, the notorious Pyrate, and two large Ships his Contorts, one of which was the Count de Tholouse, a Frenchman of 30 Guns, they had formerly taken. It seems that Captain Ogle Commander of the aforesaid Man of War sailing off of Lopax, perceived that 2 of the Pyrate Ships were upon the Heell a scrubbing, upon which he acted the Part of a Trader, and thereby induced Roberts immediately to slip his Cable and run after him; and when he was out of the Reach of the other Ships hearing the Noise of the Guns: The Swallow on a sudden tack't about and run out his lower Line of Guns, and with the first Broad-side killed Roberts, which so disheartned the Men that they surrendered; as did soon after the two other Ships. On Tuesday last 9 Watermen on the River Thames, were tried before the Lord Chief Justice Pratt at Guildhall, for Wounding and Resisting the Officers of the Customs in the Execution of their Duty, and being found Guilty, they will next Term be transported, pursuant to a late Act of Parliament.

There is a great Struggle at the South Sea House in Balloting upon the Question for Agreeing with the Bank, and how it will be carried is uncertain. 'Tis remarked, that the Bank purchases 5 *l. per Annum* of the South Sea Companies Fund for 105 *l.* and sells it at 116 and an half, and thereby gets 11 and an half *per Cent*, which upon 4 Millions is 460000 *l.* that the Bank is to be released from the Contract for taking one Million of South Sea Stock at 375 *per Cent*. and the only Part of the same Contract which is Prejudicial to the South Sea Companies Interest. The Charge of Circulation is not released but submitted to Arbitration. Those who argued for the Question observed, That the Annuity offered to sale at 105 *per Cent*, to the Bank carries 5 *per Cent*. Interest to the Bank for 7 Years, and afterwards but 4 *per Cent*. 'Tis reported, That John How

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Esq; formerly a Representative of Gloucester Shire, and Paymaster of the Guards and Garrisons is dead. How great soever the Expectations of some may be touching the Agreement between the Two Grand Corporations. South Sea Stock rises but slowly, being only 93. There is an Account of great Damages done by a Storm of Hail at Lewes in Sussex, some of the Stones being 4 Inches round.

Edinburgh, June 26. The Lady Gairlies died lately.

## A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

**W**Hereas in open Contempt and Violation of the good Laws made for Preservation of the Game within this Kingdom, There have been the greatest and most unreasonable Abuses committed for many Years bygone, within the Shires of Dumfries and Clyddale, and the Stewartries of Annandale and Kilcudbright, by unjustly invading and destroying the Properties of particular Persons; especially in the Muirs about Moffat; killing incredible Numbers of Fowls of all Kinds, with Gun, Nets and Assistance of common Foxolers, to the Ruine of Game in these Countries. It is therefore hereby advertised by Charles Duke of Queensberry and Dover, Archbald Duke of Douglas, James Marquis of Annandale, Charles Earl of Selkirk, Charles Earl of Hoptoun; William Johnston of Corehead, Robert Johnston of Wamphry, Will. Hamilton of Eldershaw, and Wil. Johnston of Granton, That they are resolved to put the Laws in Execution in the strictest Manner against all Transgressors of the said Laws made for preserving of the Game within their respective Jurisdictions and Properties, viz. The Shires of Dumfries and Clyddale, and the Stewartries of Annandale and Kilcudbright, and Regality of Moffat; and for that End have appointed several Masters of the Game throughout these Countries, that none may hunt upon these Grounds without a special Warrant under the Hand and Seal of the Proprietor thereof; and have made publick this their joint Resolution for preserving the Game, that none may pretend Ignorance, or from their former Impunity expect to escape the just Pains of these Laws for the Future.

**T**H E Meadow called Straiton's Meadow, lying near the City of Edinburgh, to the South of it; containing about Fifty five Acres of improvable Ground, commodiously Situate, and having a large House and Brewhary built thereupon: Is to be set in Tack for a long Term of Years, to commence from Martinals next. Such as have a Mind to take a Lease of the said Ground, may see the Conditions in the Hands of John Dion at the Town Council-chamber, and will find the Magistrats ready to treat with them. N. B. Bruntfield-links are to be set at the same Time.

**T**Hese are to advertise the Creditors of George Humelate of Whitfield, to meet upon Munday 2d July next, at five of the Clock Afternoon, in the House of Arthur Reid Vintner in Edinburgh.

**T**Hat the Trustees for the Creditors of Mr. John Montgomery Writer to the Signet, have appointed a second Dividend out of his Effects, of one fifth Part of the Debts due by him, to be paid to his several Creditors, according to their respective Sums, therefore they may apply to David Spence Secretary to the Bank, who is ready to pay the same.

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